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SUBJECT: INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONSULTATION ON CEREALS SUPPLIES AND
WAYS OF MEETING SHORT-TERM REQUIREMENTS OF DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES, ROME, NOVEMBER 29.

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1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED FOLLOWING IS PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR SUBJECT
MEETING ISSUED BY FAO AS DOCUMENT ESC:ICCS 74/1.

(1) ASSESSMENT OF UNCOVERED CEREALS IMPORT REQUIREMENTS
OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY THOSE MOST SEVERELY AFFECTED
BY THE ECONOMIC CRISIS, FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE 1974-75 SEASON,
ALLOWING FOR POSSIBLE SHORTFALLS IN UNHARVESTED CROPS AND EM-
ERGENCIES

(A) QUANTITY OF UNCOVERED IMPORT REQUIREMENTS OF CEREALS
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(B) ABILITY OF THESE COUNTRIES TO PURCHASE SUCH REQUIREMENTS

ON A COMMERCIAL BASIS

(2) WAYS OF ENSURING AVAILABILITY OF CEREALS

(AL THE DESIRABILITY OF EXPORTING COUNTRIES EARMARKING EXPORTABLE SUPPLIES, OR TAKING OTHER PRACTICAL STEPS TO ENSURE AVAILABILITY OF CEREALS TO MEET AGREED TOTAL UNCOVERED REQUIREMENTS

(B) THE EXTENT OF INDIVIDUAL PARTICIPATION OF EACH EXPORTING COUNTRY IN ENSURING PHYSICAL AVAILABILITY

(3) WAYS IF FINANCING THE IMPORT REQUIREMENTS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES CONCERNED WHICH CANNOT BE MET ON A COMMERCIAL BASIS

(A) ABILITY OF EXPORTERS TO PROVIDE PART OF THE REQUIREMENTS ON CONCESSIONAL OR CREDIT TERMS

(B) BILATERAL AND MULITERAL SOURCES OF EXTERNAL FINANCING FOR THE REMAINDER OF REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING THE DESIRABILITY OF ISSUING AN INTERNATIONAL APPEAL FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS.

(4) FUTURE CONSULTATIONS - NEED FOR FURTHER CONSULTATIONS, ORGANIZATION, PROCEDURES, LOCATION AND FREQUENCY, WITH A VIEW TO IMPLEMENTING THE RELEVANT WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATIONS. END UNCLASSIFIED.

2. BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. FOLLOWING PROVIDED BY SECRELGRIAT ON CONFIDENTIAL BASIS, AS REVISED SUMMARY ESTIMATED IMPORT REQUIREMENTS OF CEREALS IN 1974/75 (VOLUME) SELECTED LDCS: (IN THOUSAND TONS X)

COUNTRY	ACTUAL IMPORTS 1973/74 (1)	TOTAL GRAIN IMPORT REQUIREMENTS 1974/75 (1)	TOTAL COVERED 1974/75 (1)
SUGGESTED FIRST PRIORITY COUNTRIES (C)			
BANGLADESH	1,960	2,800	980.9
CENTRAL AFRICAN			
REPUBLIC	79	80	2
HONDURAS	49	173	16.8
INDIA	5,100	7,000-8,500	4,830 (A)
RWANDA	8	100	3.3
SOMALIA	58	125	5
SRI LANKA	972	1,004	840
TANZANIA	176	436	171
YEMEN P.D.R.	104	104	4
SUGGESTED SECOND PRIORITY COUNTRIES(C)			
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BURUNDI	4	7	0.9
EL SALVADOR	143	157	22.2
HAITI	76	70	31.7
PAKISTAN	1,032	1,550	643
SIERRA LEONE	115	80	6.4
SUDAN	242	244	225
YEMEN A.R.	170	183	39.6
ZAMBIA	105	105	18.7

SUGGESTED THIRD PRIORITY COUNTRIES

CAMEROUN	89	80	1.5
DAHOMAY	17	25	4
GHANA	162	170	59.7
GUINEA	18	30	25.3
GUYANA	61	60	21
IVORY COAST	206	212	--
KENYA	62	80	14.5
KHMER REPUBLIC	225	235	235
LAOS	58	58	0.3
LESOTHO	9	5	--
MADAGASCAR	161	160	--
NEPAL	22	22	--

SAHEL COUNTRIES - PRELIMINARY ESTIMATE (B)

550	250
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SUB TOTAL - MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

15,905-17,405	8,451.8
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OTHER COUNTRIES

BRAZIL	2,557	1,970	1,260
EGYPT	3,630	3,650	2,678
GRAND TOTAL	21,525-23,025	12,389.7	

(A) DOES NOT INCLUDE 300,000 TONS OF FOOD AID AND 200,000 TONS OF COMMERCIAL WHEAT PURCHASES UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE EEC.

(B) THE LATEST ESTIMATES OF THE MULTI - DONOR MISSION WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE MEETING.

(C) TENTATIVE FAO CATEGORIES BASED ON SIZE OF PER CAPUT UNCOVERED REQUIREMENTS IN 1974-75 AND GDP PER CAPUT IN 1970.

(1) JULY/JUNE FOR WHEAT AND COARSE GRAINS; CALENDAR YEAR OF LAST YEAR SHOWN FOR RICE. END LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. VOLPE

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